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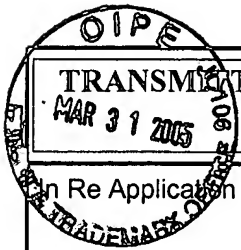
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**37 CFR 1.97(b)**

1. ☐ The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed within three months of the filing of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 CFR 1.53(d); within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 CFR 1.491 in an international application; before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, or before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114.

**37 CFR 1.97(c)**

2. ☒ The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed after the period specified in 37 CFR 1.97(b), provided that the Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a Final Action under 37 CFR 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.311, or an Action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and is accompanied by one of:

☐ the statement specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e);

**OR**

☒ the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p).



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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicants request that a citation and examination of the references cited below, and on the attached PTO-1449 form be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.98, copies of all foreign patent documents and non-patent documents are enclosed.

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

<u>Document No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Country</u>
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Grand, Stephen et al., "*Creatures: Artificial Life Autonomous Software Agents For Home Entertainment*," Cognitive Science Research Paper 434, University of Sussex, October 1996 (1996-10), pp. 1-8.

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Applicants are also enclosing herewith a copy of a European Search Report for European Patent Application No. 00 124 748.5 - 2221 that corresponds to the present application and of which the references cited above were cited therein

Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

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